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ON THE SIDEWALK

A Distinguished St. Louis Editor Was Found Dead.

Driven Insane by Overwork Jos. B. McCullough Committed Suicide.

He Was the Editor and Principal Owner of the Globe-Democrat, and Was for Years Prominent in Cincinnati Newspaper Circles—The Originator of Interviewing.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 31.—Jos. B. McCullough, the editor-in-chief of the Globe-Democart, was found dead on the sidewalk, at 6:30 this morning, beneath the window of his room, at the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Kate Manion, 4,847 West Pine street. He had evidently thrown himself from the window during the early morning. His skull was crushed. Dr. C. H. Hughes, his physician, said that he was tired of living and had killed himself. He gave no premonition of suicide during his illness. His brain was affected. He suffered from profound nervous exhaustion, complicated with recurring kidney trouble. The late campaign undermined his health. The Post-Dispatch says he would not admit that he was failing, but insisted on managing his paper from his bed-room. Wrapped in blankets, he received the reports of subordinates and issued orders. He was born in Ireland, and his first newspaper work was done in Cincinnati on the old Gazette, where he served as shorthand reporter before the war. He next served on the Cincinnati Commercial and was one of its army correspondents during the war. He was then employed by the Enquirer, and next took the managing editorship of the Chicago Republican, succeeding Chas. A. Dana. From Chicago he went to St. Louis, where the remainder of his life was spent. He was distinguished as the first man to invent the interview style of placing statements before the public. The theory of suicide is not accepted by all his friends. They believe that he was attacked by asthma and that he threw up his window for air and fell out.

LUMBER MEN

Only Want the Duty on Lumber Increased One Hundred Per Cent—The Tariff Hearings.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—The hearing before the Ways and Means committee covered wood and manufacturers of wood, also pulp paper at books. C. W. Goodyear, of Buffalo, representative of a committee of twenty, appointed by the Lumbermen's convention, held at Cincninati, appeared with a petition of the committee asking protection for the lumber trade. He said that three million of our population were dependent on this industry. Mr. Goodyear said that the lumbermen asked practically the restoration of the duty of 1883—that is, that white pine and lumber, placed in a $1 class by the act of 1890, be restored to the $2 class.

GOOD NEWS

Claimed That Antonio Maceo Is Wounded But Is Still Alive.

The Wife of an Insurgent Colonel Just From the Rebel Camp Claims That Maceo Is Under the Care of Four Physicians and Will Live.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Key West, Dec. 31.—The wife of insurgent Colonel Mirabel arrived on the steamer Olivette from Havanna last night. She says that she came direct from the camp of insurgents, where she has been attending Antonio Maceo. She declares that he was shot in the face by the traitor physician, Zertucha. She says that four physicians are attending him now and are satisfied that he will recover, but it will be some time before he will be able to resume command.

This news was received with great joy by the Cubans here, and the statements of Mrs. Col. Mirabel are generally accepted as true. In some quarters the report is doubted, however.

They Don't Believe It.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

New York, Dec. 31.—Representative Dr. Palma says he places no credence in the reports that Maceo is alive. The Junta is fully convinced that he is dead.

The Markets.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 31. — Wheat, 97½; corn, 22¾; oats, 16.

Toledo.—Wheat, 95¼.

You never miss it by wearing Lehman's shoes. They have style and quality.

THE WEATHER PROPHET.

Ohio.—Cloudy; rains or light snows; colder in northern portion.

TO THE BITTER END

The Silver Forces of the Senate Will Fight President Cleveland's Appointments to Places of Bounced Silver Men.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—The silver senators, after a consultation, have practically agreed to oppose all nominations made to fill the places of silver men removed for participation in the recent campaign. The opposition will go so far as to require an investigation into the cause of removal. The indications are that the silver Republican bolters and Populists will join the silver Democrats, while the gold Democrats will unite with the Republicans in support of the President's nominations in most cases.

M'ELWEE FIRED

Because He Published a Report Criticising Governor Morton's Official Family.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Albany, Dec. 31.—Governr Morton has removed from office Fred C. McElwee, inspector-general of the National Guard of New York, for violation of the military code, by giving to the public his annual report before submitting it to his superior officer, the adjutant-general. In that report he committed another military offense by criticising the governor's staff.

THE AFTERMATH

Vice President Wilkins of the Selma Bank Shoots Himself

Through the Head Because the Bank Failed Yesterday—Shot Himself at the Church Altar Where He Had Worshiped for Over Thirty Years.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 31.—The failure of the Commercial National bank at Selma yesterday had a tragic sequel this morning, when George B. Wilkins, vice-president of the defunct bank, shot himself. The failure was a bad one, and it was charged that it was in a measure due to negligence and careless banking methods of the officials. There was much feeling over the matter, and it is thought that this caused Wilikns to commit suicide.

Wilkins chose the Episcopal church, of which he had been treasurer for thirty years, as the scene of his suicide. He arose about three o'clock, and, going to the church, shot himse f through the head about half an hour later, dying almost instantly. He w s one of the best known men in Alabama, and his death has caused a revulsion of feeling in his favor.

THE FULLER WELL

It Has Come in at Marietta But It Came in as Dry As Could Be.

Messrs. A. A. and A. J. Fuller have been waiting expectantly for a few days to hear from an oil well in which their brother, O. J. Fuller, of Marietta, is interested. The well is at Cat Hollow, near Lowell, in the Muskingum valley, and is located within twenty feet of a gusher that is yielding about one hundred barrels per day. They got a letter yesterday that notified them that the well had come in—dry. "A dozen feet of sand and a little gas were the net results," mournfully wrote the Marietta man. "We are going to peg away, however," he concluded. Hope eternal generally is one of the characteristics of the oil prospector.

Important Board of Trade Meeting.

An important meeting of the special board of trade committee, appointed to help further the organization of the Standard Shoe company, is called for Monday morning at 8:30, at the council chamber. It is very important that all members of the committee should attend. The committee is composed of the following gentlemen: A. T. Holcomb, Chas. E. Hard, F. V. Knauss, W. C. Draper, J. M. Stockham, Jno. Brushart, Jno. Heer, W. A. Connolley, A. A. Branch, A. J. Finney, H. S. Grimes, J. Jones, (plumber) J. F. Menke, J. J. Rardin and Capt. Jas. Skelton.

56,000 Rifles for Cubans.

A representative of one of the largest rifle and arms manufacturing concerns in the country was overheard to remark in Stahler Bros.' store this morning that his house had sent 56,000 rifles to the Cubans within the last three months. He knew positively that the guns had reached the insurgents and that the manufacturers were paid for them.

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Nicer or more practical present to a friend who likes a first-class quality of beer than a dozen of the beer brewed by our home brewery. Send your order and your friend shall be supplied.

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The Test.

By Antoinette H. Jackson.

The misty clouds were driving fast
Across the winter sky's deep blue;
The twinkling stars peeped shyly out,
Then veiled their sparkling eyes from view.

Two beings of majestic mien,
One old, the other young and fair,
Sat, looking down upon the scene--
One with high hope, one aged with care.

Before them passed, in long array,
A motley throng of figures weird,
Some, with an air of courage strong,
Some, cowering as the two they neared.

For it was New Year's eve, and all
Who on the earth would seek bright fame
Must here, before this tribunal,
Tell of deeds done and future aim.

And those whose labors have been true,
Who good deeds show for time now flown,
Receive a crown of laurel leaves
And strength to toil on, though weary grown.

The Old Year, and the New, this night
Clasp hand in hand and wait a space,
To see, of all the world's mad throng,
The worthiest who are in the race.

Many had come and passed from view,
Some nerved with brave resolve and might,
Some weak with sense of coward wrong,
Slunk silent into outer night.

And now, before the twain a youth
All clad in armor, silver-bright,
Bent low, and then with brow serene
He waited strong in conscious right.

"And thou, O youth," the Old Year said,
"What hast thou done, however small
The act, to claim the New Year's prize?
Speak of thy work, thy merits—all."

"Old Year," the youth said, coming near,
"I have striven for the right, the true;
I have firmly stood against the wrong,
And shams and fallacies pierced through.

"I tell of hard fights, fairly won--
Not by the war-sword's crimson stain--
Not by the death of needed men,
But by the power of mind and brain.

"In conflicts where the power of wrong,
Swollen with gain, sordid and base,
Has tried to claim a righteous cause,
I have flung defiance in its face.

"Where'er the oppressor's heel has pressed
Upon the prostrate forms of those
Who have fallen by the toilsome way,
I have helped them 'gainst their tyrant foes.

"For freedom's sway, for juster laws,
For labor's rights 'gainst money's power,
For these I rouse the people's might
And point the duty of the hour.

"And for the New Year--almost here--
I do not promise greater deeds,
For then, as now, my aim shall be
How best to serve the country's needs."

The New Year stooped and, taking up
A crown of shining laurel leaves,
He said, "Thou first must tell us whom thou art,
Ere victor's sign thy forehead wreathes.

"For thou hast nobly done, indeed,
Thou shalt go on, and larger fame
Shall be thy portion for this year;
But first, reveal to us thy name?"

"Oh New Year," proudly spoke the youth,
"I bear a name that in all climes
Is known, wherever truth is loved--
I am the Spirit of the TIMES."

FRAGMENTS.

Machinists' big ball in Kendall's hall this evening.

Dr. Burgess reports the arrival of a fine, big boy at the home of Wm. Arthurs, on East Third street.

George A. Straw, of Carey, O., and Alex. H. Cummins, of Akron, are the guests of Clay Sanford, of East Second street for a few days. They came down for the Assembly dance.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Secretary Hopkins, of the Y. M. C. A., has arranged for an interesting men's meeting at Kendall's hall next Sunday afternoon. The meeting will be addressed by Rev. Thomas S. Robjent, of Sixth Street church. The sermon will be particularly interesting to men, and there should be a big crowd present. The sermon is for men only.

Don't forget the reception at the Y. M. C. A. rooms tomorrow afternoon. All members and friends of the association are invited to be present.

IN JACKSON

George Hock Formerly of This City Is Enjoying Life at the Age of 81.

John F. Steahly, proprietor of the Opera House dry goods store, has just returned from a visit to his grandfather, George Hock, at Jackson. Mr. Hock is making his home with his son there. He has now reached the age of 81, and is still enjoying splendid health. Mr. Hock resided in Portsmouth for many years, and his friends here will be glad to learn of his good health and happiness.

A Handsome Improvement.

A noticeable improvement in East Second street sidewalks is being made in front of the residences of Alex. M. Glockner and J. H. Lange. Handsome stone flagging is being put down by Messrs. Schmank & Musser. The sidewalks will be further beautified by parking next to the street.

The Captain Reports Progress.

Capt. W. L. B. Jack has returned from Winchester, where he went to see Congressman Fenton on a little matter of business. He found about two dozen office seekers hanging on the congressman's front fence waiting for an interview.

New Telephones.

Three new telephones have been put in this week. They are at the Co-operative Grocery company's store, Dr. J. H. Moore's office and Mrs. E. Jennings' residence.

Scioto Gun Club Shoot.

The Scioto Gun club will hold their annual club shoot at New Boston tomorrow afternoon. A handsome silver-mounted can of smokeless powder is offered as a trophy to the member of the club making the best score.

Tom Is a Candidate.

T. O. Beatty, Esq., will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for member of board of education from the Fourth war in the spring. He is pulling wires and laying ropes now.

BRAKEMAN CALLED HIS STATION

And the Innocent Kentuckian Tried to Get Off at Once—His First Railroad Ride.

An awkward Kentuckian from Bracken county, name Robert Curtis, came to Portsmouth Wednesday evening on the C. & O. accommodation. It was his first ride on a train. When the brakeman called out the South Portsmouth station, Curtis walked out and stepped off the train before it stopped. He was thrown two or three somersaults and his face was scratched up a little. He sat in the station and moaned so loud that Dr. Titus was called to examine his injuries. He was bruised in several places, but no serious injuries were received. He was coming to visit the Goodpastor family on Thirteenth street. He is all right today and will know better next time when to get off of a train.

The Toughest of Toughs.

Two strapping big hobos, who look as though they might have been old prize-fighters, were locked up in the station house last night. They were drunk and begging money and carried their demands almost to the point of pocket-picking. They are a bad lot, and the mayor sentenced them to thirty days on the stone-pile and to pay a fine of $50. They gave their names as John McKee and Jas. Crawford.

Out Again.

C. S. Greene, the retired merchant, is able to be out again after a three weeks' lay-up in doors, caused by a fall on icy steps. He had two ribs broken and sustained quite painful internal injuries.

Baptist Revival Meetings.

The First Baptist church will hold a series of revival meetings, beginning about the middle of January. The services of Evangelist Crane, now at Washington C. H., have been secured.

At Kendall's Hall Tonight.

The machinists' ball tonight, at Kendall's hall, is by long odds the greatest event on the program for this evening. Don't forget it.

Suffocated by Gas.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—William Lichenburg, 22 months old, and his 10 weeks old brother, Jacob, were found dead in bed early Wednesday morning at their residence at One Hundred and Fortieth street and Locust avenue. Their mother, with whom they were sleeping, and their father, who slept in the next room, were found unconscious. The cause is supposed to be coal gas, which escaped from the stove in the kitchen. Mrs. Lichenberg is still unconscious and her death is expected at any moment. It is thought that the father will recover.

Con Doyle Knocks Out Mike Farrell.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 31.—"Con" Doyle, of Chicago, knocked out Mike Farrell, of Buffalo, welter weights, in two and a half minutes of the first round, before the Queen City Athletic club, Wednesday night. They were to fight 15 rounds.

Brakeman Killed by a Train.

ST. ALBANS, W. Va., Dec. 31.—Brakeman Otis Merritt was killed by a train at Gray. He lived at Bristol, Tenn.

TO BE AIRED.

Abuses in the Indiana Township Trustee Offices.

One Hundred Dollars the Price Paid for a Box of Pencils.

Twenty Dollars for a Five Dollar Water Can—Extravagant Sums Paid for Other School Supplies—The Matter to Be Corrected by the Legislature.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 31.—Attention of county superintendents and other school officers meeting here has been called to abuses in the township trustee offices. School supply "sharks" are preying upon the trustees, and are working frauds equal to those represented in the Pollard warrant corruption of former days. Trustees in some counties have banded together, and have compiled a black list of agents, from whom they will make no purchases. Trustees have sole authority to spend the public money which comes to their hands. They are in no restraint except from their conscience. Dishonest men in this office have opportunities for money-making, limited only by the size of the township's "pile."

"Shark" agents of certain foreign school supply houses sell these dishonest trustees a box of pencils for $100, take a warrant in pay, and return $50 to the trustee, after cashing the warrant, leaving no trace of the crime. The warrant under the new law has to be published in the list of expenses; but the purchase is concealed under the term "supplies" or "books."

The purchase of water cans has become a fad with some trustees. Careful trustees get them for $5, while others pay $20 each. The cans are made in this city at a cost of $5.

Another source of profit is the sale of pencil furnaces. The health boards recommend the heating of pencils to destroy disease germs. Little furnaces costing $2 are purchased by some trustees for $15, though they can be had for $4 or $6 of the same agents if the trustees will insist on a fair price.

The attention of the legislature is to be called to the practices. Many trustees and the legitimate dealers in school supplies are demanding protection against the sharks who are making the business obnoxious.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher's Life in the Balance.

STAMFORD, Ct., Dec. 31.—The condition of Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, who fell and fractured her hip here a few days ago, remains critical. She has sustained a severe shock, and her recovery is now considered doubtful. Relatives of Mrs. Beecher have been summoned here.

SUGAR DUTIES.

Ways and Means Committee Hears Importers' Arguments.

They Claim That an Ad Valorem Rate of Duty Was Unfair.

Attitude of the United States in Reference to the Cuban Revolt Satisfactory to Spain—The Spanish Are Not Testing the Friendship of Other Nations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The session of the committee on ways and means Wednesday was given to the question of sugar duties. The opening was given to the sugar importers whose views were voiced by John Farr, of New York.

He said that at a recent meeting of the sugar importers of that city it was unanimously decided that an ad valorem rate of duty was unfair, unreliable and exceedingly difficult in practice; that one cent a pound should be imposed on all sugar below 75 degrees polarizcope, and that additional discriminating duties should be levied on all sugars coming from bounty paying countries. The beet sugar interest was represented by Mr. Henry Axnard, of Grand Island, Neb.; Mr. Herbert Myrich, of Chicago, editor of the American Agriculturist, and Mr. R. M. Allen, of Ames, Neb., president of the Beet Sugar association. The cane sugar interest of Louisiana was represented by Mr. J. D. Hill, of New Orleans. No representative of the sugar refining industry had applied for a hearing, and there was a conspicuous absence of the members of the sugar trust.

The recent reports that the Spanish government was endeavoring to secure the co-operation of the great European powers to prevent by force, if necessary, the intervention of the United States in the Cuban insurrection, have no better authority than many other startling rumors that have been industriously circulated during the past few months.

There is authority for the statement that the Spanish government is, generally speaking, entirely satisfied with the attitude of the United States with reference to the Cuban revolt. If evidence were needed to assure the world that Spain can find no fault with the attitude of the Washington government it will be found in the notification which the Madrid foreign office has made to the Spanish diplomatic representatives in Great Britain and on the continent. Through advices which reached the state department Wednesday it is learned that as soon as that portion of the president's recent message to congress relating to the Cuban situation had been translated, copies were sent to the Spanish ministers at the various European capitals, with the added statements that the Spanish government was entirely satisfied with the president's utterances. In these circumstances the reports which convey the impression that Spain is testing the friendship of the European powers with a view to securing their assistance in preventing an anticipated intervention on the part of this government, are pronounced absurd.

Dauntless May Clear for Cuba.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—For the first time since the present struggle in Cuba began this government has given permission to a customs officials to clear for Cuba a vessel loaded, according to her manifest, with munitions of war and presumably intended for the insurgent army. The vessel in this case is the well known and alleged filibuster Dauntless, but the concession that under these circumstances she is entitled to clearance papers leaves the situation so far as she is concerned quite as involved as before, as the statutes prescribe that before clearance shall be granted for any vessel bound to a foreign port, the owners, shippers and consignees of cargo shall state under oath at what foreign port the cargo is to be landed, and severe penalties are prescribed for violations of this requirement, including the confiscation of the vessel.

Presidential Post Offices.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The following fourth-class post offices, beginning January 1, 1897, will be advanced to the presidential class: Indiana—Albany, Warren. Missouri—Cassville. Ohio—Bradner, Glouster, Wyoming.

School Officers Elected.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 31.—At the second day's session of the state association of school examiners the following officers were elected: President, J. C. Hartzler, Newark, secretary, G. E. Ryan, Rising Sun; executive committee, J. M. Jordon, Chillicothe; E. Burgess, Lancaster, and S. P. Humphrey, Middleport.

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TIMES TELEPHONES.

Counting Room	2 on 33
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Over in Indiana they pay $100 for a box of pencils. Who knows but they are paying $100 in this county for a single plank in a bridge and call it a new structure? All such jobs are easily hidden when aggregate expenditures are published instead of itemized bills. The infirmary spent $13,295.55. No itemized bills were presented. How much of this was paid out for boodling purposes? No one knows. All we know is that expenses have been $55,000 greater for each of the last four years of "unexampled depression" than they were in the "prosperous years of 1892."

"It is generally conceded that political and municipal bossing and machine government reached a great degree of perfection in New York under the Tammany regime. The sachems had everything their own way, and had a particularly lucrative way of their own. But a wave of reform swept over Manhattan a few years ago and Tammany was driven from power. Boss Platt was installed in its place. He at once applied all the discoveries and inventions of Tammany—accepted the situation as it was, and then added frills of his own patent that by their wide sweep and grasp of money and power, fairly daze the Tammanyites.

"A leading reform paper that aided in ousting Tammany gives in outline what Boss Platt has accomplished in the way of municipal brigandage that should make the lamented Tweed turn in his coffin. The "biggest thing" is the state liquor machine under the Raines law, by which the vast liquor-selling, brewing and distilling business of the state is made a spoke in the Platt machine. From the biggest brewery of the state to a Baxter street gin mill, the Boss has his finger on every detail of the business, and bleeds it scientifically as to money, and directs its vote and influence politically. The railroad commission, a bureau of great power and influence, controlling steam roads and the surface roads of the state is in the same boat as the liquor interest, bound to the Platt wheel. The same is true of the powerful insurance interest. Platt has bagged it, through the coming appointment of his most serviceable agent as state commissioner. And so on, the same story runs through all state, county and municipal departments that can be reached and bled for money and utilized for political power. Platt has one advantage never possessed by Tammany, and that is absolute control of rural politics as well as city affairs. Tammany generally found the country Democracy in a state of revolt.

"It is strange, but the New York reformers appear to wish back the more moderate rapacity of Tammany. Platt grabs everything. He owns governor, legislature, municipalities and counties. In a couple of weeks he will make himself United States senator, and after his election his willing subjects are to tender him a state banquet at Albany, with 3,000 loyal henchmen at the table. Greater than all others of any party or time, Platt stands forth as the climax of boss rule in government and politics." — Pittsburg Post.

Thus the reform promised the New Yorkers.

Two hundred and twenty-two thousand, and sixty-one dollars and fourteen cents! Any business man with such a sum, additional to the county's yearly revenues within the last four years, would have paid off the entire indebtedness existing in 1892. Give him the privilege of taxation at present rates and he could pay off the indebtedness much more rapidly than it is being done There have many peculiar things happened. The gang has been in desperate straits for the past four years, and expenses had to be increased to maintain its supremacy. We don't really hold the commissioners responsible, only in so far as they have remained silent while these increased expenditures are being piled up. Their sins, perhaps, are more from omission than from commission. Every tax-payer would expect taxes to fall as the purchasing power of the dollar increased; but, instead, they have increased. At the same time the commissioners aggregate their expenditures in their published reports instead of itemizing them. What is the result? The farther away they put the information from the public, the greater the expenditures grow. The Times has prodded them somewhat, and they have feared the coming avalanche. What has been the effect? Let us see. There are two kinds of printing: First, that which goes to two papers of opposite politics, and the German paper, which is as follows:

And for year ending August 31, 1896 it will be under $2,000.

For year ending Aug. 31, '92	$3175 75
For year ending Aug 31, '93	3367 05
For year ending Aug. 31, '94	2165 28
For year ending Aug. 31, '95	2282 08

There has been a nice little saving, and our commissioners and examining committee have strutted around telling the people how they are economizing by cutting down the newspaper bill for publishing itemized accounts. They make aggregates to economize for the county. What pretensions! By this pretense they seek to cover up an increase of over $55,000 annually for the last four years. They have saved $1,000 to hide the increased expenditures of $55,000. But, let us look a little farther. There is a second class of printing, subject to the control of the officials—printing to be placed where it will do the most good. Here are the sums that the jackalls of the Republican press have been quarreling over:

For year ending Aug. 31, 1892	$2764 93
For year ending Aug. 31 1893	3167 87
For year ending Aug. 31, 1894	3475 30
For year ending Aug. 31, 1895	3227 42

These amounts are now above the high-water mark of the "prosperous year of 1892." These gentlemen are the men who love the "breadwinners" of Scioto county; the men who have shed crocodile tears over the hardships with which the wage-earners have been contending for the past four years. Why have the commissioners and others struck at the first-class of expenditures? Was it to get a lick in at the Times, or was it in order to hide increased expenditures under aggregates? The law says the report must be a detailed one, but our officials say aggregated expenditures suit their purposes better, and, from the rapid rate at which expenditures are increasing, we must agree that it makes the picking better for the boodlers and heelers to be taken care of. How do the people like it? We can stand it to lose one-third of the amount that used to come to the Times, and at the same time pay pretty nearly as much tax as all the English Republican papers in the county. They tell the people we are a bad, bad man; yet, we are not an official blackmailer or a tax-dodger. Why is it that we come in for so much abuse? Have we robbed the people; or, have we stood by the people? Have we better papers today than four years ago? We think we have, and with the support of the people, we will have a more economical government for the county. The water works is doing better, and the city and county must join. Even the Blade will pay its just portion of taxes. We want business men and not politicians in office.

How Shall the Child Be Taught?

At present the time devoted to the three R's alone, in the mechanical schools is in the neighborhood of seventy per cent. It might be possible, however, through a process of exclusion, such as I have indicated, to reduce this time by fifty per cent or more. Indeed, so great may be the change brought about, that what is now regarded as the body of the work of the elementary school would constitute only a side issue. If this should be true, then, of course, the possibilities of enriching the course of study would be almost unlimited.

Society expects, for example, that the individual shall be able to write a letter, in well-constructed sentences and without grammatical errors. It is not concerned, however, as to whether or not the writer is able to analyze the sentences, or to parse the words in his letter. If facts should prove, beyond question, that individuals who can parse and analyze with facility are able to construct better sentences than those who are unfamiliar with technical grammar, this subject might rightly be placed among the essentials of school work. If, however, it should be proved than the English employed by those who had not studied technical grammar was practically as good as that employed by those who had had a thorough grounding in it, then this subject could not be regarded as essential, but would belong to the domain of mental gymnastics. The importance of such question of relative values becomes strikingly apparent when we consider that thirty-five minutes a day is equivalent to an entire school year out of the eight devoted to elementary education. Consequently, by economizing only a little here and there, by the exclusion of merely a part of the disciplinary measures of minor or doubtful importance, such as drill in arithmetical puzzles, superfine penmanship, in parsing and analysis beyond what is actually needed, it might be possible to save as much as the equivalent of two school years, which might then be utilzed toward enriching the course of study, without in any way neglecting the essentials.

Geography, and particularly that phase which treats of the location of places, the boundaries of states and countries, the length of rivers, the heighth of mountains, offers a broad field for exclusion without true loss in any particular. How much waste there is in the old-fashioned method of teaching this subject becomes apparent when we consider how exceedingly little the average individual has to show a year or two after leaving school for the numerous hours a week, during five or six years devoted to this study.

While the number of geographical facts in topographical geography that the individual is required to know in order that he may be able to take an intelligent interest in the affairs of the world, is considerable, it is nevertheless very small when compared with that which the child is compelled to acquire in the traditional course of instruction. Indeed, so great, in my opinion, is the discrepancy between what the child is compelled to memorize in the old-fashioned schools and what the citizen is expected to know, that I do not regard it as an exaggeration to say that the course in topographical geography might be shortened by seventy or eighty per cent. without neglecting what is useful.—Forum for January.

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BOUND OVER.

Ex-Paying Teller Jones, of the National Bank of Illinois, Arraigned.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Benj. F. Jones, the ex-paying teller of the failed National bank of Illinois, who is charged with the embezzlement of $20,000 in September, 1895, was arraigned Wednesday before United States Commissioner Sickard. His preliminary hearing was confined to the taking of testimony, the witnesses being Vice-President Hammond, Cashier Carl Moll and Assistant Cashier Kent, of the bank, as to the shortage in Jones' accounts and his responsibility therefor. The defendant was held to the grand jury in bonds of $10,000, in default of which he was taken to the county jail at Wheaton.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of Testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment will cure blind, bleeding, ulcerated and itching piles. It absorbs the tumors, allays the itching at once, acts as a poultice, gives instant relief. Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment is prepared only for piles and itching of the private parts, and nothing else. Every box is guaranteed. Sold by druggists, sent by mail, for 50 cents and $1.00 per box. Sold by Win Nye. Williams Manufacturing Co., proprietors, Cleveland, O.

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Homeseekers.

On Jan. 5th, 19th, and Feb. 2nd and 16th, the Ohio Southern railroad will have on sale at all stations Home Seekers' excursion Tickets to all points South, Southwest and West, at one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be limited, good to return twenty-one days from date of sale. Call on Ohio Southern agents for full particulars regarding stop-off privilege routes and rates, or address

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Use Bronchini, the great cough Cure. Ministers always find relief by the use of Bronchini. All public speakers experience difficulty in talking in open air. Bronchini affords instant relief. Change in the weather brings colds, croup, sore throat and pneumonia. Bronchini will cure all these diseases, always warranted or your money refunded. Price 25 and 50 cents. For sale by Fisher & Streich.

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Benj. Ingerson, of Hutton, Ind., says he had not spoken above a whisper for months, and one bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar restored his voice. It is used very largely by speakers and singers. Sold by Amanns' pharmacies.

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Steble, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and $1.00. Get a Bottle at Fisher & Streich, drug store.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call at Amanns' pharmacies and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

Post-Xmas Opportunities.

Everything left by Christmas shoppers must go, regardless of cost. We wish to start in on '97 without a dollar's worth of Xmas Goods. WE WILL MAKE A CLEAN SWEEP in every department, cutting right and left until the prices fairly compell you to buy.

Be Sure and Investigate These Bargains.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs, 6c, 8c, 10c, 12½c quality, about 30 dozen, go for 5c.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, 15c, 20c, 25c quality, about 25 dozen, go for 8c.
Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, sets, regular price 60c, go for 27c
Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, sets, regular price 75c, go at 38c.
Fancy Boxes, 25c quality, go for 17c.
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Celluloid Balls, 15c quality, go for 8c.
Cut Glass Vases, large size, $1 50 quality, go for 89c.
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Puff Boxes, 25c quality, go for 17c.
Puff Boxes, 40c quality, go for 27c.
Puff Boxes, 90c quality, go for 63c.
Collar and Cuff Boxes, large size, $1.75 quality, go for $1.
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Atomizers, $1.25 quality, go for 89c.
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Fancy Pin Cushions, 75c quality, go for 49c.
Ladies' Embroidered Collars, 85c quality, go for 50c.
Ladies' Embroidered Collars, $1.25 quality, go for 89c.
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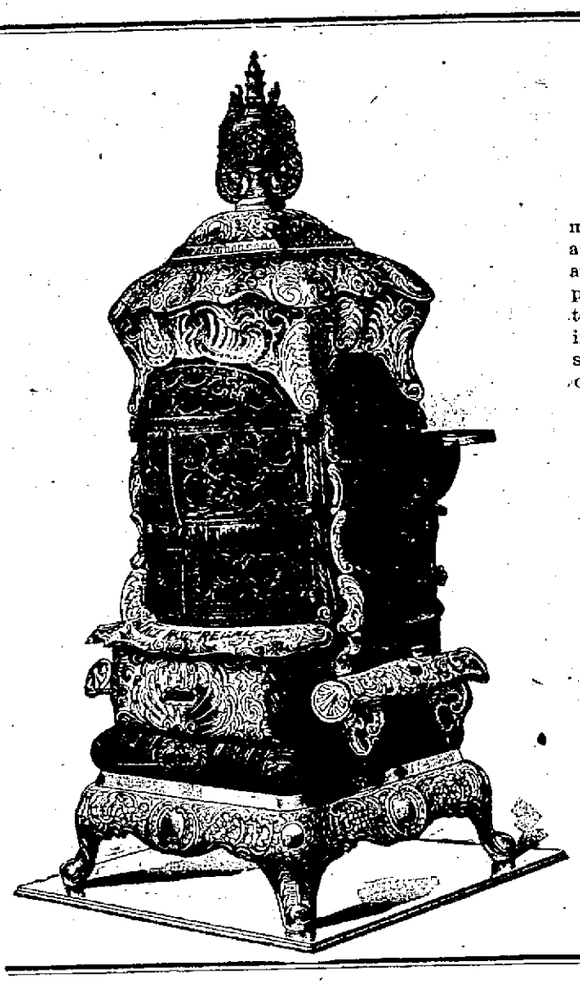

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To make statements but more difficult to prove them. We wish to make one, and that is that our line of Holiday Goods are all up-to-date in quality, variety and prices. An invitation is extended to our friends to call and examine our stock, and prove to themselves that our statements do not consist merely of paper and printers ink, but of facts. There will be no trouble to suit everybody.

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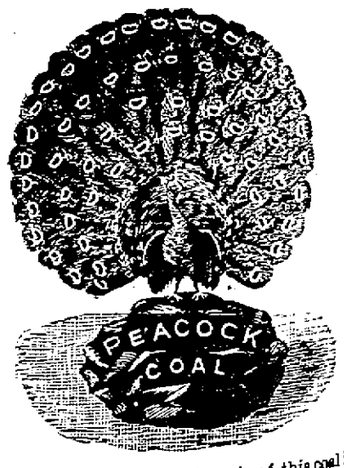

J. M. Stockham has the sale of this coal in Portsmouth. PEACOCK COAL CO.

FREE CURE FOR MEN.

A Michigan Man Offers to Send His Discovery Free.

Claims to Be a Benefacter to Weakened Mankind.

There is always more or less suspicion attached to anything that is offered free, but sometimes a man so overflows with generosity that he cannot rest until his discovery is known to the world, in order that his fellowmen may profit by what he has discovered. It is upon this principal that a resident of Kalamazoo, Mich., desires to send free to mankind a prescription which will cure them of any form of nervous debility, relieves them of all the doubt and uncertainity which such men are peculiarly liable to and restores their organs to natural size and vigor. As it costs nothing to try the experiment it would seem that any man, suffering with the nervous trouble that usually attack men who never stopped to realize what might be the final result, ought to be deeply interested in a remedy which will restore them to health, strength and vigor, without which they continue to live an existence of untold misery. As the remedy in question was the result of many years research as to what combination would be peculiarly effective in restoring to men the strength they need, it would seem that all men suffering with any form of nervous weakness ought to write for such a remedy at once. A request to H. C. Olds, Box 1,650, Kalamazoo, Mich., stating that you are not sending for the prescription out of idle curiosity, but that you wish to make use of the medicine by giving it a trial, will be answered promply and without evidence as to where information came from.

The prescription is sent free, and although some may wonder how Mr. Olds can afford to give away his discovery, there is no doubt about the offer being genuine. Cut this out and send to Mr. Olds so that he may know how you came to write him.

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The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Will Revive any Lapsed Policy on which fifty-two successive weeks' premiums were received, and on which the premiums are in arrears thirteen weeks or more, provided the life before insured is in good health.

Apply to your local Superintendent, who has two kinds of policies to offer in such cases—one restoring your policy subject to a loan for premiums in arrears without interest, and the other a new policy in full immediate benefit without any loan, but for the amount called for by the old premium at the present age on the present table.

PENSIONS!

John K. Duke, 51 West Second Street, Portsmouth, Ohio, solicits the patronage of soldiers and soldiers' widows for Pensions, Re-rating, Restoration to the Rolls, etc. Call for consultation and file your claim at once.

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Views and Interviews

Up in the village of Hamden a Times reporter ran across an old resident of Chillicothe named W. A. McDonald, the other night. McDonald is a railroad man, formerly lived in Portsmouth, and can beat any woman talking that ever drew breath. He was in Hamden looking after Conductor Tom Brown, who was hurt in a wreck a few days ago. McDonald is a Republican—a ward politician—and swears by George Tyler and the Daily Gazette. According to McDonald, Republicans of Ross county have taken the defeat of their candidate for sheriff very much to heart. "He was resposible for his own downfall, though," said McDonald. "He got the swellhead and would not mix with the people. Guess he was too big for 'em and that beat him, you see. I don't see what Swepston wants the office for, though," he continued, "he can't attend to it; he'll have to hire somebody to do all the work." Poor Swepston! If you want to find out your weaknesses, they do say the best way to do it is to be a candidate for office.

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McDonald told a little story on Lawrence Neal that is, perhaps, published for the first time. It was currently reported at the time that Campbell was a candidate for re-election as governor, running against McKinley, that there was no love lost between him and Mr. Neal. McDonald said that on the night of the election he dropped into the telegraph office about one o'clock in the morning. John Entrekin, Al. Douglas and other Republican leaders were there. In an adjoining room Mr. Neal and a few friends were gathered. Once or twice when some message would be sent in to them, carrying the news of Campbell's disastrous defeat, the door was left often, and McDonald declares that Mr. Neal would smile broadly and did not seem to concern himself greatly of the Butler Mascot's Waterloo. That year, however, many and many a Democrat had out his hatchet for the scalp of Governor Jimmie. Those are things of the past now, and we can afford to look back and smile at them.

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A young man in society—a tall, slender young business man—made several mortal enemies the other night at a reception. A number of ladies, who are neither old nor yet young, were sitting in one of the rooms of the house when the tall young man came along. He stopped to chat awhile, and by and by began to tell a story of rather ancient lineage. Suddenly he said:

"You all remember long about 1860 or 1861, during the war——!"

There was a dead silence for some minutes. Then one of the ladies exclaimed, "No, we don't remember! We're not forty years old, if you are." And the tall young man subsided.

CHARMING RECITALS

To Be Given in Vanceburg, Manchester and Portsmouth by Prof. A. B. Frost—Those Who Will Assist.

Prof. A. B. Frost, the well known musician, has arranged to give two entertainments, one at Vanceburg for the benefit of the Presbyterian church, and one at Manchester for the benefit of the ten poorest families in the town. The Vanceburg entertainment will be given Thursday evening and the one at Manchester Friday evening. Prof. Frost will be assisted by his pupils and Mrs. Katharine McMath, of the Cincinnati College of Music, who appeared at his recital at Knittel's a year ago; Miss Mary Walls, of Maysville, who sang in the Baptist church here last winter, and Miss Maud Shepard, a talented pupil of Prof. Frost, will also assist. Miss Bertha Nitterhouse will recite several selections. At Vanceburg, Mrs. Dr. Wells, Misses Jennie Wood, Sadie Lowwill and Messrs. Toby and Greenert will assist. These entertainments will be of superior merit, and Vanceburg and Manchester are to be congratulated.

The music-loving people of Portsmouth will soon be favored with two recitals by Prof. Frost. They will be given at the Christian church under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor society. At these recitals two of Cincinnati's best soloists, Mrs. McMath and Miss Pierpoint, will be on the program.

"Big Four" Interchangeable Milage.

The interchangeable one-thousand mile tickets of the "Big Four Route" are indispensable to all business firms and commercial travelers. The lines of the "Big Four" penetrate all the big cities of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and a ticket which can be used to reach these cities, as well as cities on principal connecting lines, is invaluable.

FOR BIGAMY.

A Traveling Agent, Alleged to Have Three Wives, Arrested in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—W. N. Voss, a traveling agent of Crawfordsville, Ind., was arrested here Wednesday on the charge of bigamy. Ten years ago it is alleged Voss was married in Cincinnati. After living with his wife four years he left her and, it is claimed, was married to Anna Mitchell in the same city. This latter marriage resulted as did the first and after four years Voss is accused of having deserted her and fled to Danville, Ill. There he made the acquaintance of Ella Brewer, with whom he was quite recently married, and they have since lived in Chicago at 268 West Randolph street, where he was arrested Wednesday night. Abraham Brewer, father of his present wife, is the complainant. He claims to have learned of Voss' former marriages a few days ago, and came here Wednesday to secure his arrest.

FOOTLIGHT FLASHES.

Tonight the University Glee and Mandolin club will be at the Grand. They have thirty-five artists. Their program is richly arranged and will be charmingly rendered. Prices 25 and 50 cents.

The Holden Comedy company concluded their engagement at the Grand last night, and this morning left for Ironton, where they play three nights. They will disband at Ironton, as the company is not playing to expenses.

The Heldens have another company on the road. It is doing a phenomenal business at Springfield. Monday night it took in over and above expenses, $198.

The matinee by the Holden Comedy company yesterday afternoon was poorly attended. The play was "Colonel Mulberry Sellers." Morgan Gibney was out of sight as "Colonel Sellers." Last night they played "Falstaff Up to Date."

Ed. R. Salter, manager of the Salter & Martin Uncle Tom's Cabin company, has engaged Lewis Clark, the Lexington, Ky., quadroon, to travel with the combination. Clark was the original George Harris in Mrs. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin." He is 85 years old.

Edison's Vitascope and Comedy company will be here tomorrow. They will give their first performance tomorrow afternoon; the second, tomorrow night; third, Saturday afternoon; and the fourth and last, Saturday night. Prices 15, 25, 35 and 50 cents.

Prof. Degenhart, who is visiting in the city, will, perhaps, join Edison's Vitascope company here Friday as musical director. The professor is a good one. He is telling a story that is a beaut. He says that on the train that brought him to Portsmouth, the train boy pushed through the ladies' coach yelling, "Apples, bananas, peaches, chewing-gum, figs—." An old woman asked, 'Got any p-e-e-ears?' The train boy gave a warm answer thusly: 'One in each end of the car, madam; one in each end of the car! Apples, bananas, peaches, chewing-gum, figs!' And the train rolled on.

The University Glee and Mandolin club will give an entertainment at the Grand tonight that bears the mark of refinement and culture. The people here should give them a packed house. Extend a royal greeting to the college boys. Don't let Portsmouth be behind her sister cities. Prices 25 and 50 cents.

The Edison Vitascope and Refined Comedy company will render the following program at their opening performance tomorrow afternoon: Overture; vitascope, "Children in the Garden; Chicago Trio, in selections on harp, violin and bells; vitascope, "Tub Race"; microphone, banjo solo; vitascope, "Spinning Wheel"; microphone, "chimes from Trinity Church, N. Y."; vitascope, "Trilby Dance"; vocal selections, Miss Marie Delafontain; vitascope, "Ocean Waves"; microphone, piccalo solo; vitascope, "Burning Stable"; microphone, "Midnight Alarm"; vitascope, "Cavalry Charge"; violin solo, Miss Maud Dickinson; vitascope, "Feeding the Doves"; vocal solo, Miss Marie Delafontain; vitascope, "Local Express"; harp solo, Miss Alva Messenger; vitascope "Buffalo Bill; "society sketch," Mr. George Watson and Miss Marguerite Newton; vitascope, "Street Parade"; Chicago trio, in selections on harp, violin and cello; vitascope, "Kissing Scene from 'Widow Jones,' by Mary Ewing and J. C. Rice"; and four other pictures, to be selected by Manager Grimes. In addition to the above, let it be known that Schumann's lady orchestra is with the company.

No. 94

Is the telephone call of The Portsmouth Brewing and Ice company. Just call them up and order a dozen of their brew for the holidays.

Sutton's Newspaper.

Joe Sutton, who is lumber boss for Peter Brushart, has started a little paper at Edgarton, W. Va., giving the news of the camp. He edits it in addition to looking after his business. The new sheet is called "The Peter Creek Journal," and is a neat, type-written sheet.

W. S. ANDERSON

Of Peck, P. O., Pike County, Ohio Recommends Wright's Celery Capsules.

Peck P.O., Pike Co., O., July 4, '96.
To the Wright Medical company, Columbus, Ohio:

Gentlemen:—I have purchased a box of Wright's celery capsules from James T. Blasser, druggist, Waverly, Ohio, and used them for disease of the stomach and constipation. I was unable to do any work for nearly two years. I used three boxes of your Wright's celery capsules and it has cured me. For the benefit of others so afflicted, I wish to send you this letter.

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For $20.00.
Former Prices $22.50 to $30.00.

Pants
For $5.00.
Former Price $7.50 to $10.00.

WE MAKE these reductions only for a short time, in order to dispose of our fall stock of goods and make room for Spring Goods. We have many short ends of trouserings which we can make up for men of medium height, and the price, $5.00, can not be duplicated. Come in, inspect the goods, and you will recognize the advantage of patronizing us.

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SOCIAL NEWS

The Womans' Literary Club Have an Interesting Meeting.

Mrs. John Heer Entertains About Thirty Young People in Honor of Miss Mame De Bruin—Miss Lewis Entertains Theatre Parties Tonight—Some Other Social News.

At the postponed meeting of the Woman's Literary club, held yesterday afternoon, a very enjoyable program was rendered as follows:

"Dr. Samuel Johnson Among His Friends"—Mrs. Caskey.

"An Artist Friend(—Sir Joshua Reynolds"—Mrs. Tucker.

"Goldsmith, the Poet" — Miss Duduit.

Mrs. Tucker presented her thoughts in a very interesting talk, and Mrs. Caskey and Miss Duduit read excellent papers.

After Mrs. Caskey's paper, a number of "Anecdotes by the club" were given, referring to the very noted character, Dr. Johnson. At the close of the program, Prof. E. E. Sparks, of the University of Chicago, who is spending his vacation in this city, interested the club in explaining the University Extension movement. Prof. Sparks is experienced as a lecturer in University Extension work, and his talk was a most interesting and instructive one.

Tickets were distributed for the course of instruction in parliamentary drill, to be given by Mrs. Lilian Cole-Bethel during the week beginning January 11th, under the auspices of this club. This is a rare opportunity, as Mrs Bethel has a national reputation as an instructor in this line of work, and all the ladies of Portsmouth may take advantage of it. Tickets can be purchased from any club member. The fifty-cent course ticket entitles the bearer to four afternoon instructions and admittance to the mock convention, to be held Friday evening, January 15th. Tickets for the mock convention, to which gentlemen will also be admitted, can be secured for twenty-five cents each.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, the report of the pronunciation committee was postponed until the next meeting, which will be held Friday, January 8th, at which time officers will be elected and dues received for the coming year. A full attendance is desired at this meeting.

A PLEASANT PARTY.

Mrs. John Heer entertained a number of young people very charmingly last evening, at her handsome new home on East Second street, in honor of Miss Mame De Bruin, of Winchester. One of the unique features of the evening's entertainment was a guessing contest. The young ladies were masked from head to foot and then stood up in a row in one of the parlors. The young gentlemen were then admitted and given fifteen minutes in which to guess the identity of the masked girls, each being furnished with a list. Charles Pursell won the prize, a dainty china piece, correctly guessing each young lady. Art Murphy and George Marting tied for the booby prize, Marting winning the prize when lots were cast. He received a handsome and very active jumping-jack. After some time had been spent in games and social intercourse, the guests were served with a dainty lunch. Mrs. Heer and Miss De Bruin were assisted in serving the lunch by Mrs. Miller and Miss F. C. McConnell. Those present were Misses Anna and Mattie Padan, Eva Clayton, Emma Droulliard, Garnet Lewis, Mame Brown, Irene Jordan, Virginia Jones, Edith Prichard, Lillian Lewis, Bess Anderson, Kate Anderson, Marjorie Brown, Ada Johnson and Lizzie Funk, and Messrs. Cliff Anderson, Mat Thompson, Frank Walters, Power Brown, Frank Black, Art Murphy, Kinney Funk, Wes. Kinney, Newt Rice, James Bannon, Flint Kline, Will Sellards, Harry and Rob Gilliland, George Marting, Chas. Pursell, Paul Tappan and Roy Drew.

GIBBONS' LIERARY CLUE.

The Gibbons' Literary and Social club gave a varied and interesting entertainment last evening at St. Mary's hall to a large and appreciative audience. All who took part in the program acquitted themselves in a most creditable manner. The readings and recitations, embracing topics grave, gay and comic, in both prose and poetry, were well rendered and received. The musical feature of the program, both vocal and instrumental, of a classical and sprightly nature, charmed all, both by reason of melody and rendition. A pleasing part of the evening's entertainment was an exercise in physical culture and comic acting, which received hearty encores. The Gibbons club is now a very flourishing institution and is weekly growing in membership and interesting work. The Catholic ladies and gentlemen who are interested in this literary and social work deserve great credit and encouragement for their untiring efforts to make the club a success. The aim of the Gibbons club is to unite and create a closer union and fellowship among Catholics of all classes and nationalities of the city, and by this union to create, foster and promote a taste and study of good, sound literature and classical music, as well as to develop and promote a better and more generous spirit of social life along those lines that will safeguard religion and morality. The New Year's evening grand social, in which all the members of the club will take part, will take place in St. Mary's school hall.

MUSICAL PROGRAM.

The Ladies' Musicale have arranged to give a splendid entertainment next Monday evening at All Saints church. Some of the best numbers on the year's program of the Musicale will be rendered, besides several recitations by popular elocutionists. A small admission of twenty-five cents will be charged. The Musicale has in past times given these entertainments free, but as there is a small sum due on the grand piano purchased by the ladies, it was decided to charge a small admission and devote the proceeds to paying for the piano. The Ladies' Musicale has done much to advance the standard of music in Portsmouth, and music-loving people should show their appreciation by purchasing a ticket and attending.

SIKES-GODMAN.

Thos. Sikes, the popular young school teacher of Wheelersburg and brother of county clerk F. L. Sikes, and Miss Sallie M. Godman, a charming young lady of Wheelersburg were married Wednesday evening at eight o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. John H. Godman, in Wheelersburg. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. D. Cherrington, of Gallia county. Only a few intimate friends and relatives were present. An elegant wedding supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Sikes will make their home in Wheelersburg. Hundreds of their friends throughout the county wish them a long life of uninterrupted happiness.

GATES-COOK.

At noon Wednesday Geo. W. Gates, of the N. & W. shops, and Miss Celia Cook, formerly in the office of the Singer Sewing Machine Co., were married at the home of the bride's parents on East Fourth street. About twenty-five intimate friends and relatives were present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Snodgrass, of the Baptist church. The young couple will go to housekeeping on East Seventh street.

A SOCIAL EVENT.

The entertainment to be given this evening by the Cincinnati University Glee and Mandolin club promises to be, in one sense, a social event, a number of theater parties having been arranged. One of the parties will have one of the loges, while others will be scattered through the house They will all meet at some residence after the performance and watch for the new year.

WATCH NIGHT SOCIAL.

The Christian Endeavor of the First Presbyterian church will hold a watch-night social tonight at the residence of Dr. Tappan. All the young people of that congregation are invited to join them and watch the old year out.

MACHINISTS' BALL.

The machinists' ball at Kendall's hall this evening promises to be the grandest ball of the season. Elaborate preparations have been made for the affair and there is no other event tonight that will compare with it.

THE YOUNGER CROWD.

Miss Bess Lewis charmingly entertained a number of the younger crowd at her residence on West Fourth street last evening. A very enjoyable time was spent by the guests.

A WATCH PARTY.

Mrs. Robert Clare, assisted by Mrs. John Brushart, will entertain a watch party at her residence on Washington street this evening.

Free! Free!

Cough cure free at Fisher & Streich's Saturday, January 2nd, from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. Read what they say to Portsmouth people. 30-3t

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Winter is now with us, and you are liable to contract Colds, Cough, Pneumonia and Lung Disease; therefore do not fail to call at the Drug Store of Messrs. Fisher & Streich, on SATURDAY, JANUARY 2nd, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 9 p. m., and receive, FREE OF CHARGE, a bottle of

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FOR RENT—4 room cottage on Offnere, near Twelfth street. Inquire of Rottinghaus Bros.

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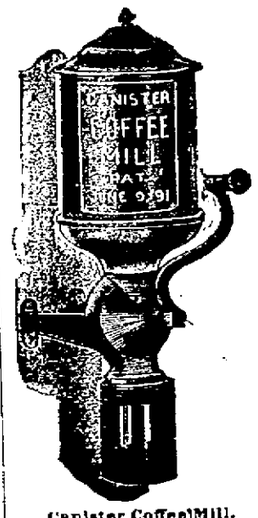

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Fresh Fish!

FISH from the ocean and FISH from the lakes all the time. FISH from the river when I can get them. Lobsters, Shrimp and Oysters in season. smoked fish and other delicacies as they offer, at

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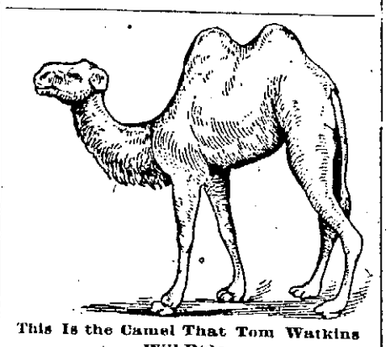
The members of Alcazar Temple No. 26, Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan, are preparing to have a splendid time in this city tomorrow afternoon, when a big class of candidates will be initiated.

The exercises will begin promptly at 12:30 o'clock, standard time, when the

D. O. K. K. Emblem.

members will meet at the temple—the K. of P. hall. The following class will then be taken care of, as only the D. O. K. K. people do such things: Howard Murray, James Skelton, Will Hosz, Will D. Matthews, Al. Redoutey, Al. Schlichter, Ben Hopkins, C. M. Dressler, T. W. Watkins, Chas. L. Storck and John Frick. It is said that Royal Vizier John M. Williams has made very elaborate arrangements to receive the candidates, and several



This Is the Camel That Tom Watkins Will Ride.

special features will be introduced during the progress of the initiation ceremonies. It is also said that the initiation can be heard two squares away.

In the afternoon, about four o'clock, after the business with the candidates is concluded, there will be a grand street parade. This will be unique in its way. Each member will be garbed in some outlandish fancy colored

This Is Howard Murray's Little Fellow.

gown, each of a different design. After parading through the principal streets, the party will repair to Knittel's, where an elegant spread will be served at six o'clock. No one not masked and gowned for the occasion will be allowed at the table. Several speeches will be made at the table, and a general good time enjoyed by all.

The D. O. K. K. is a comparatively new order in Portsmouth, but its membership has been increasing rapidly.

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Know vs. don't know what you are getting, or guessing at it. Ask your grocer for "Sugar Loaf" corn, and get the best.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Frank Davis is visiting Chillicothe friends.

Miss Dollie Sturgill, of Wheelersburg, is in the city today.

Dave Richardson, the contractor went to Columbus today on business.

Peter Brushart and Orin F. Dodds, went to Columbus this morning.

Tilman Lester, of Jackson county, is in the city looking hale and hearty.

Louis Snider, of Madisonville, O., is here to attend the Assembly dance this evening.

J. L. Fisher Jr., arrived in the city today from Ironton, to look after his coal business.

Carl Sack, of Cincinnati, is the guest of the family of Jos. Guiterman, of West Second street.

Miss Nellie Maurer, of Cincinnati, is visiting her brother W. J. Maurer, of East Ninth street.

Miss Josie Jordan is home from Lawrence County Ky., on a visit to her parents on the West Side.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Turner, will leave this evening for a visit with relatives at Cambridge, Guernsey county.

Ex-Auditor Geo. L. Dodge, of Champaign county, is here on a short visit to his son John S. Dodge the attorney.

Sister Anna Louis, Swigler, of Cincinnati, is here on a visit to her mother and other relatives after an absence of more than twenty years.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

SAFFORD.

J. W. Doran, New York.
Chas. H. Hoopse, Columbus.
John P. Mohr, Agent Vitascope Co.
G. W. Clary, Cincinnati.
J. C. Fisher, Cincinnati.
W. E. Earnest, Cincinnati.

BIGGS.

L. H. Snider, Madisonville.
H. P. Hanna, Gallipolis
L. M. Brown, Cincinnati.
Frank Weaver, Columbus.
Ed. Stern, Cincinnati.
Jas. A. Wurtlin, Cincinnati.
M. Lewis, Buffalo.
John Patterson, Pittsburg.
Frank Laue, Newark.
Hugh Bawline, Wellston.
A. J. Pembroke, Columbus.
J. W. Hurran, Cincinnati.

OBITUARY.

WILIAMS.

Miss Martha Williams, an aged maiden lady, whose home was in Oak Hill, died at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Morgan, of East Third street, last night. She came here about two weeks ago to visit her relatives, the Morgans. Shortly after her arrival she was taken sick with neuralgia, which finally affected her heart, causing her death. She was past seventy years of age. The remains were taken to Oak Hill on the B. & O. S-W. this afternoon, and the funeral will be held Saturday.

LEE.

Mrs. Catharine Lee, wife of Joe Lee, died at her home near Springville, Ky., yesterday afternoon. Death was caused by consumption, from which she had suffered for over three years. She was thirty-five years of age, and her husband and six children survive her. The funeral will be held at Bennett's chapel tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

A Blind Boy's Talents.

Claude E. Jeffords, son of Cyrus Jeffords, of the West Side, who is in the blind asylum at Columbus, is home spending the holidays. The boy can read the blind books as rapidly as an ordinary reader. He has also developed considerable musical talent, and is an expert violinist.

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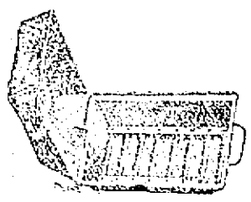

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Premier Canovas Waiting Until Pinar del Rio and Havana Provinces

Are Cleared of Rebels, When He Will Introduce Reforms That Will Virtually Amount to Autonomy—Opposition in Madrid Against Weyler.

MADRID, Dec. 31.—A report of an interview with ex-Premier Sagasta, the leader of the Spanish liberals, is published in El Liberal, in which Senor Sagasta is reported as saying that Europe is in sympathy with Spain in her maintenance of Spanish sovereignty in Cuba, but that Europe also desires to see the establishment of reform in Cuba. Senor Sagasta further expresses his belief that Premier Canovas only awaits a report from Gen. Weyler that the Pinar del Rio and Havana provinces are cleared of rebels when he will introduce reforms in Cuba which will virtually be tantamount to autonomy. The ex-premier further says that Capt. Gen. Weyler himself is the chief obstacle to the pacification of the island, he being impotent to quell the rebellion and he believes that the insurgents will reappear in the Pinar del Rio province as soon as the Spanish troops are withdrawn.

Senor Sagasta advocates concurrent military and diplomatic action on the part of Spain and the immediate granting of constitutional and tariff reforms in Cuba.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The Standard, Thursday, publishesa dispatch from its Madrid correspondent, saying that a strong movement in opposition to Gen. Weyler is on foot in political and military circles. Gen. Weyler's failure to make any progress in the direction of the suppression of the revolution in Cuba is regarded in Madrid, the correspondent says, as involving his recall at an early day unless he soon meets with striking success.

The correspondent also says that Gen. Polavieja, the newly appointed governor of the Philippine islands, has initiated vigorous repressive measures for the crushing out of the rebellion in those islands. He has issued orders that only the more prominent of the rebel leaders shall be sent to Manila for trial, and all other rebels who are captured, including the leaders of less note, shall be tried by court martial where they are captured and their sentences summarily executed.

The Standard will also publish a Madrid dispatch saying that the execution at Manila on December 28, of Dr. Rizal, accused of being the promoter of the revolt against Spanish rule in the Philippines, has created a great sensation in the Spanish capital. According to Manila advices Dr. Rizal denied that he was guilty and steadfastly refused to make any revelations regarding the conspiracy in which he was accused of being concerned. The Jesuit priests, who were with him in the conspiracy during the 24 hours preceding his execution, endeavored to elicit from the condemned man some statement regarding the conspiracy, but failed to do so. Rizal begged the authorities that a civil marriage ceremony be performed between himself and his mistress, a Canadian woman, but the officials refused his request. They also rejected the petition of Rizal's family that his body be turned over to them for burial, fearing, they said, that his funeral might incite revolutionary manifestations. Great military precautions were taken to prevent an outbreak when Rizal was executed. An immense crowd was present at the execution and trouble was feared. The squad detailed to carry out the execution were native soldiers.

The official report of the execution states that Rizal at the last moment embraced religion and expressed penitence.

On the same day that Rizal was shot 11 prominent persons who were suspected of being connected with the revolt, were tried by court martial. Among them were the dean of the Manila cathedral, two other priests, a banker and a millionaire notary. The public prosecutor demanded that sentence of death be imposed upon the prisoners. The result of the trial has not yet been made known.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The Daily Chronicle Thursday publishes a special dispatch from Washington for which it claims high authority, saying that Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister to the United States, has intimated in an unofficial way to Secretary of State Olney that Spain will accept the mediation of the United States for the settlement of the Cuban trouble after Capt. Gen. Weyler shall have cleared the province of Pinar del Rio of rebels, when the Spanish government will be prepared to grant the Cubans virtually every thing they demand except complete autonomy and independence. The dispatch says it is a matter of doubt whether or not the Cuban leaders will be willing to enter into negotiations with Spain under these conditions, but if they are willing Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, the United States consul general in Havana, will act as go-between.

Bank Robbed of a Small Amount.

NEWTON, Ia., Dec. 31.—Between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock Wednesday morning the Bank of Sully at Sully, Ia., 15 miles southeast of here on the Iowa Central, was entered by three burglars, who successfully made their way into the vault and secured $27.75 in pennies and one ten dollar bill, but were frightened away before they had effected an entrance to the safe, which contained more than $30,000 in cash.

Death of Archbishop Fabre.

MONTREAL, Dec. 31.—Archbishop Fabre, the head of the Roman Catholic arch diocese of Montreal, died shortly after 11 o'clock from cancer of the liver. He was 69 years old.

CONDENSED NEWS

Gathered From All Parts of the Globe by Telegraph.

Maj. Truman N. Burrill died at his home in Brooklyn Wednesday from apoplexy. He was chief of the bureau of engraving and printing in Washington in Arthur's administration.

President C. B. Power, of the Inter-State Baso Ball league, Wednesday sent out notices for a meeting of the league to be held at Hotel Madison, Toledo, O., January 27, at 3 p. m.

The Denver chamber of commerce, through the unanimous action of its board of directors, has decided to ignore the invitation to send delegates to the monetary conference to be called in Indianapolis next month.

Charles G. Ross, doing business as Charles G. Ross & Co., commission merchants in woolens at 56 Leonard street, New York, with a branch at Chicago, assigned Wednesday to John C. Hayes without preference.

The North German Gazette, a semi-official journal, confirms the statement that Germany refuses to accept the newly-appointed Chinese ambassador. The refusal, the Gazette says, is based upon personal and essential reasons.

A permit was granted Wednesday by the state banking board allowing the Farmers and Merchants state bank of Beatrice, Neb., to go into voluntary liquidation. The bank was organized January 1, 1893, with a capital stock of $50,000.

John S. Johnson, champion fast skater of the world, and V. M. Morison, champion of Canada, have been matched for a two-mile race at the rink of the Superior Curling association, West Superior, Wis., on Sunday, January 10.

An attachment has been obtained in New York by Hays and Greenbaum against the Columbia national bank of Minneapolis on a claim of Adolph Peabody for $6,000. The sheriff served it on the Hanover national bank, which is the New York correspondent of the above bank.

Everett's hotel, at 102-106 Vesey street and No. 98 Barclay street, New York, one of the oldest and best known establishments of the kind in the city, was closed Wednesday morning. Mr. Everett, the proprietor, has been in financial difficulty for some time, and this step marks the culmination of them.

A special from Galveston, Tex., states that 1,000 or more persons in that city are suffering from la grippe, which has been epidemic for nearly two weeks. Every physician in the city is overrun with patients, and druggists are busy night and day filling prescriptions.

The Commercial bank of Selma, Ala., (a state institution), failed to open its doors Wednesday morning and soon afterwards it was announced that it had assigned. The local depositors agreed to an extension, but it is understood that several New York banks, which were creditors in large sums, would not agree and hence the assignment.

The Northwestern Loan and Building association Wednesday made application for the appointment of a receiver for the Northern Trust Co. of Minneapolis, Minn., alleging that it is insolvent. The matter was put over until January 7, but the court issued an order restraining the defendant from paying out any more money before that time.

St. Louis pool rooms were swindled out of about $500 Wednesday. Results at the South Side track were sent from near the track to confederates in Pool Alley fully a minute and a half ahead of the official telegraphic report. Money piled up on the winners of the first two races at the last minute. The pool sellers then blocked the game by taking no money after the advertised time of the remaining races.

NEAR AT HAND.

A Political as Well as Religious Crisis in the Affairs of the Province of Quebec.

MONTREAL, Ont., Dec. 31.—It is generally believed by well informed politicians here that a crisis is near at hand in the political as well as the religious affairs of the province of Quebec. The bishops of the entire province will, it is said, on Sunday next, issue a mandament forcibly denouncing the Manitoba settlement and threatening disaster to any Catholic member of parliament who does not protest against it. Liberals of the district of Quebec have called a mass meeting to be held in Quebec city on January 7, to discuss the position taken by the clergy and to clearly define their own.

Premier Laurier has accepted an invitation to be present and will be accompanied by his colleagues from this province.

The Protecteur du Saguenay, a liberal paper that supported the Laurier-Greenway school arrangement, publishes its regrets and declares henceforth that it will support the views held by the bishops. The paper was threatened with the fate of L'Elector.

PRINCELY REWARD.

Ten Thousand Dollars for the Arrest and Conviction of the Cahaba River Train Wreckers.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 31.—The officials of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. in this city said Wednesday that the Louisville & Nashville and Southern Railway Co s had offered a reward of $10,000 for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons implicated in the Cahaba river bridge disaster near Blocton, Ala., on Sunday last. The officials of both roads are making strenuous efforts to capture the guilty parties.

Fireman Killed in a Wreck.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 31.—An incoming freight train on the Seabord Air line was wrecked two miles west of here at 1:30 Wednesday morning. Four tramps had been put off there Tuesday and it is believed they removed a rail. The engine and ten cars went over a 30 foot embankment. The engine was overturned and Fireman Lewis Overby, colored, was caught beneath and scalded and burned to death. Engineer John Robinson escaped with a fracture of two ribs.

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11.35 p.m.	12.15 a.m

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SYNOPSIS.

Richard Burgdorf, a young German artist, whose nickname is "Prince Chardo," and his friend Florio, a literary student, in the course of their "Wanderjahr" through Germany, have reached the end of their resources, and find themselves, weary, footsore and hungry, by the wayside near a German town. Richard, in whose artistic ability Florio has great faith, sinks down and can go no further. Florio bestirs himself to secure food and a bed for his friend. After one or two reverses he knocks at a promising looking door. A kindly old German woman receives him, gives him food for himself and Richard, and advises him to put on a bold face. He goes through the vineyards, makes friends with an old workman, to whom he jestingly talks about his master, "Prince Chardo." The old man takes the remark seriously, and Florio is inspired with the idea of using his supposed master's name as a recommendation, in the manner of "Puss-in-Boots."

PART III.

Presently it was Prince Chardo here, Prince Chardo there, Prince Chardo round all the corners. "Our estates," and the phenomenal size and sweetness of the melons, nectarines, peaches, strawberries and figs grown in those delectable lands and forwarded in huge hampers when his Highness deigned to travel in foreign parts; Prince Chardo's castles, villas and hunting-lodges; his cattle, horses, dogs and game; his mines, his forests; his immense retinue and oriental pomp.

The taciturn old vintner hacked the stubborn earth, but Florio plainly perceived he was ruminating.

"Where are his estates?"

"Hungry."

"Hungary? That's far?"

"Hungry," rejoined the youth, airily, "is near or far, according as you go."

The old man mused bitterly upon the inequalities of life and vineyards.

"Soft as butter?"

"As fresh butter."

"What's his whole name?"

"Sedet, aeternumque sedebit
Infelix Theseus,"

replied Florio, glibly, without the quiver of an eyelash. "And that's by no means all of it. He's got a lot more. Gentlemen of quality always have, you know. Bless you, they don't mind how many names they have!"

By this time the vintner had heard Prince Chardo's name so frequently reiterated that it had become an established fact which naturally proved the authenticity of Florio's claims. The man belonged to that large category of individuals—not exclusively vintners—who, of an unimaginative and essentially suspicious turn of mind, will yet believe the most monstrous tale if they but hear it often enough.

"He is here, your prince?"

"He is on the way," Florio said, sweetly. "You needn't say anything about it just yet. He prefers to travel quietly. That's why I'm not wearing my livery. I am only one of the under servants, you know. A lot of us were sent on in advance. It matters not to him how many come. He's not one that counts noses." Florio stared at the sky and the earth, yawned and swung his heels with lordly irresponsibility.

The peasant, whose back ached, betrayed some envy in the dense gutturals of his monosyllabic response.

Unexpectedly and unwarrantably the amiable trifler now grew didactic, began to suggest, to instruct, to relate how much better things were done in Prince Chardo's noble vineyards—in fact, to meddle and dictate.

The vintner responded wrathfully that he wanted none of that.

"If you really don't care about getting on"—Florio shrugged his shoulders.

Eying him disapprovingly, the old man deliberately seated himself on the ground, drew a small bottle of beer and some black bread from a basket behind a current bush, and silently partook of his Vesper. Somewhat mollified, he remarked, succinctly:

"Do three hundred vines, and you sweat."

Between other appeasing draughts, he added:

"Besides, it's not my work. I've other jobs. I'm sixty-five years old and my back's stiff. But my son Vincenz has broken his arm. It's easy to sit on a wall and brag."

"Oh, I don't mind lending a hand just while you are at your beer," returned the prince's minion affably, jumped from the wall, flung off his coat, seized a pick, and, being twenty-two years old, strong, supple and possessed of urgent reasons for desiring to please, set to work in a manner that vineyard had never before experienced.

When the old man resumed his toil, Florio still continued. He was rather tired, he said, lolling about and waiting for the prince. He not only worked steadily and swiftly until seven o'clock, but he told exactly the sort of safe and creaking joke which the vintner relished, and finally declared he was welcome to the three hours' assistance. It was not worth talking about, when one had a good situation.

They parted on the best of terms after Florio had consented to help again on the morrow—this time for the usual wages. He sauntered off, but returned to ask, as a mere afterthought, if the man could recommend quiet lodgings not too far off. Happening to have a cousin who sometimes let rooms, he wrote her name and address at Florio's request: "so she'll know I'm all right," the young man explained, pleasantly. "I've a mate with me," he added, "a nice fellow, but lazy. He'd not touch your vineyard."

"But you'll not fail me to-morrow."

"Oh, dear, no. Only one thing could prevent. Sudden orders from Prince Chardo. It is fair to tell you that."

The peasant nodded approval. He hated strangers, but when you know who is who, it is different.

That night as Richard lay in a good bed in a simple but clean room, Florio, with a chuckle, asked:

"Is your highness quite comfortable?"

"Surprisingly."

"Does Prince Chardo want any more to eat? There's a lot still in the basket."

"Oh, no, thanks. I'm full to the brim. Why does the old schoolboy name amuse you on a sudden so immensely?"

Florio slapped his thigh and laughed uproariously.

After awhile Richard said, half sadly:

"You must not think me glum if I do not always see the joke nowadays. I used to, you know."

"And will again," Florio said, heartily, laughing no more. "Besides, my jokes are gaseous."

"He is so awfully fastidious," he reflected, "has so many notions, it would

"SEE HERE, CHARDO, WHAT IF YOU SHOULD STAY IN BED TO-MORROW AND HAVE A GOOD REST?"

be confounded bad luck if he should happen to stroll through the vineyards to-morrow and get a shock to his nervous system."

"See her, Chardo. What if you should stay in bed to-morrow and have a gobd rest? You need it badly. I'll tell the woman to look after you."

Richard smiled drearily.

"I really shouldn't mind much. It's a very good place. The best—except one—for dummies."

"You are weak and it will do you good," Florio continued equably. "You must begin to recover your strength."

"It's a mystery to me how you evolve food and beds out of your inner consciousness."

"That's all right, little one. I'll tell you about it later. I'm going to evolve a lot of things. I've got some commercial transactions on hand. Now, you go to sleep and don't bother."

Richard was too exhausted to remonstrate. Florio soon lay listening to his friend's soft breathing, and reviewed the day. Its victories, in spite of a certain diabolical luck, seemed paltry and puerile enough, now that the excitement was over and night's merciless inner light shone on them. Still, there the two wanderers lay housed and fed. "Improbable"—but a solid fact. The bed was short for Florio. But he rather enjoyed the insistence of the footboard, which proved possession.

Beyond the shadow of a doubt had he, a vagrant, without diplomatic preliminaries, simply demanded work of the vintner, that suspicious and crusty individual who would have sent him about his business. Had he frankly intimated that he was a man of the better sort of associations, but, owing to a peculiar combination of adverse circumstances, homeless, impecunious, sorely in need of employment, and dead eager to do the hardest work for the meanest wages that would keep himself and his ill friend afloat, in all probability the case would have seemed so utterly disreputable, it would forthwith have been handed over to the police.

"Lord, Lord, how this world is given to lying! Yea, verily, it doteth upon it," he mused, yet a certain lankness of spirit had succeeded to his hollowness of stomach. How could he pay for the lodging requisitioned in this high handed manner? How buy food? How sustain Chardo's spirits without money to provide him with the one thing needful for his physical and moral health—the opportunity to paint in peace? How, in short, tide over until Chardo and he both should find their grooves?

Night thoughts are naked and strong. Florio surveyed his dubiously. The house was in the suburbs. Rustic sounds entered the open window, among them the insistent croaking of frogs, which he for a long time heard mechanically. They gradually awakened memories, and finally inspired him with a project, absurd yet reassuring, which set him heaving with silent laughter and wishing Chardo was well enough to be waked up to listen. Still it was wiser, perhaps, to say nothing. Chardo was fastidious.

Two days later no night thoughts or misgivings clouded the landscape. The sun was up and so was Florio's fun.

"How great men spend the first money earned by the sweat of their brows—and Heaven knows mine dripped like Niobe—is always gloated over by their biographers," whereupon he bought at a hatter's a nice little silvery tin bauble, a prince's coronet, such as serving men wear on their caps.

"What a blessed thing is a high state of civilization," reflected the philosopher, examining it contentedly before dropping it into his pocket. The toy had two little flexible pointed ends, and could be adjusted or removed in the twinkling of an eye. He also purchased and put on a high shirt-collar. For this promenade he had taken the precaution to don Chardo's coat, it having no hole in the elbow.

"Destiny is more just than we sometimes acknowledge;" he had while

FLORIO FOUND HIMSELF ON A SMALL, MEAGERLY LIGHTED STAGE.

dressing informed his friend, "the seat of my trousers is intact."

Strolling on, he fraternized with sundry newsboys, and ne'er-do-wells. The sort of information he desired was the easiest in the world to obtain.

"What's your line?" demanded the harassed director of a small variety theater, fiercely, because still writhing under a recent bouleversement.

"Oh, I can sit up and beg and hold a stick on my nose," drawled Florio, twirling his young mustache and cocking his eye over his new collar.

This was evidently a music hall favorite. The tired man's tone softened.

"Sung much?"

"Rather!"

"Name?"

"Varies."

"Oh, that's all right," muttered the director, never shy of celebrities lying perdus. "Fresh, plenty of nerve," he reflected. "Step this way, if you please. My Kapellmeister is here at the moment."

Indifferently, a trifle arrogant of mien, inwardly quaking, yet cheering himself on with adaptations of ancient wisdom, such as "modesty is the thief of time," "check is its own reward," "patient waiting gathers no moss," "coming events are soon parted," "it's never too late to throw stones," Florio followed through dark, stuffy and tortuous passages, and finally found himself on a small, meagerly lighted stage before a dusky auditorium crowded with chairs and tables and redolent of tobacco and beer.

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Of all to know where to get a cure for their ills. It is a boon to humanity to be able to get

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It positively cures the worst and most obstinate cases of

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Stockholder's Meeting.

THE regular annual meeting of the Portsmouth Gas and Electric Co. for the election of directors to serve during the ensuing year will be held at their office on Second street, on the third Monday in January, 1897, (Jan. 18) between the hours of one (1) and three (3) p. m.

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Who can do work, but there are none who can do better work than

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They have everything in the line of building material, such as lumber, lath, shingles, etc., etc.

Porches,
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Upon her shapely head added to her comely features because it was chosen and trimmed to suit her style. It

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For your millinery and you will never be disappointed.

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Unless others are interested. If you are looking for a handsome

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Come in and see our line of Boston Bags, Dolls at cost, new line of Collars, Crocheted Slippers, Handkerchiefs, plain and embroidered, Embroidered Center Pieces and Doilies.

Mrs. B. Inez Spry,

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And see the elegant stock of

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And many other things suitable for Holiday presents as well as the fine line of

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Goods delivered to any part of the city.

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A SPECIALTY Primary, Secondary or Tertiary BLOOD POISON permanently cured in 15 to 35 days. You can be treated at home for same price under same guaranty. If you prefer to come here we will contract to pay railroad fare and hotel bills, and no charge, if we fail to cure. If you have taken mercury, Iodide potash, and still have aches and pains, Mucous Patches in mouth, Sore Throat, Pimples, Copper Colored Spots, Ulcers on any part of the body, Hair or Eyebrows falling out, it is this Secondary BLOOD POISON we guarantee to cure. We solicit the most obstinate cases and challenge the world for a case we cannot cure. This disease has always baffled the skill of the most eminent physicians. $500,000 capital behind our unconditional guaranty. Absolute proofs sent sealed on application. Address COOK REMEDY CO., 307 Masonic Temple, CHICAGO, ILL.

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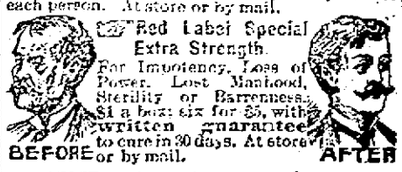

FISHER & STREICH, Portsmouth,

A BUTCHER KNIFE

Did Wm. Wesley's Wife Buy to Kill Him With.

She Thinks He Has Some Terrible Disease and Should Be Killed—Inquest of Lunacy Held on a Poor Mound Street Painter's Wife—Is Crazy Or Mean, Maybe Both, If William Is to Be Believed.

"She's either crazy or possessed by the devil!" That's the only way Wm. Wesley, a poor, hard-working painter, living on Mound street, in Lawson's addition, can account for the strange actions of his wife. He thinks, perhaps, it may be the former, and accordingly an affidavit of lunacy was filed in probate court this morning. If the story Mr. Wesley tells is true, his wife is certainly a terror.

They have been married nineteen years, and in all that time the husband says he has lived in torment. They have been moving about from place to place quite frequently and came to Portsmouth only a few months ago from up the river. About three weeks ago the couple had some trouble and the wife swore out a warrant, charging her husband with beating her. He was taken before Mayor Row and fined $8.80. He says he was unable to live with her after that and went to Wellston. A few days ago his daughter wrote to him that her mother was about to die, and he came on home, hoping she would be dead. He found her more alive than ever. He says she beat him, pulled his whiskers, and finally went down town and bought a big butcher knife, which she slipped up her sleeve when she went to bed. She told the children she would kill him, and for the last two nights, Wesley says, he has been compelled to lock himself up in a room to keep her from carrying out her murderous designs. She has a hallucination that her husband is afflicted with some terrible and fatal disease, and she wants to kill him in order to prevent its spread.

NEW SUIT.

Conrad Gerlach files suit against Thos. Conroy for collection of a note of $150, with interest from Sept. 1882. J. S. Dodge, attorney.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Walter S. Greene, 23, and Cassie Willis, 26, Scott county, Ky.

Chas. Westwood, 24, and Emma Row, 24, Portsmouth.

Frank Ford, 27, and Martha J. Hogan, 25, Portsmouth.

PROBATE RECORD.

Will of W. W. Reilly probated.

Minister's license of Geo. W. Geyer filed.

Company H to Attend Inauguration.

It is quite likely that Company H, as a part of the Fourteenth Regiment, will be called upon to attend the inauguration of President-elect McKinley. The Seventeenth Regiment goes as an escort to the President, and the Fourteenth may be called in to go with them. The boys are all anxious to go, but only a limited number will be allowed to go. Those who do go will forfeit their camp pay next year.

Dangerously Sick.

Fred Wessel, car repairer at the N. & W. shops, is lying very seriously ill at his home in the East End. It is feared that he cannot recover.

Put your property into the hands of Willis & Rainey for rent or sale, as they are hustlers. No 206 West Second street. 24-6t

Got Sick on the Road.

Charles Ruggles, fireman on N. & W. engine 153, hauling an extra westbound freight, was taken sick on the road last night and had to be relieved at this point. He is in bad shape.

M. Lehman & Bro. wish you all a happy New Year, and success in your undertakings.

"My husband had two cancers taken from his face, and another was coming on his lip. He took two bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters and it disappeared. He is completely well."—Mrs. Wm. Kirby, Akron, Erie county, N. Y.

THE NEW YEAR'S ADDRESS'

A Dozen of the Handsomest Newsboys in the State Will Sell Them in Portsmouth Tomorrow.

Tomorrow morning The Times newsboys will call on their customers and friends with the neatest carriers' address ever gotten out in Portsmouth. The patrons and friends of the Times are urged to remember the little fellows who have faithfully delivered the papers during the past year, and help them along by buying an address. It should be remembered that the proceeds go to the boys. The address is a beautiful specimen of the printers' art and is adorned with the photographs of a dozen of the handsomest newsboys in the state. And the poem—well, it was selected by a competent committee from a list of twenty-two submitted by local poets and will speak for itself. Remember the boys when they call on you New Year's morning.

It should be borne in mind that The Times address is distinctively a home production. The poem was written by a Portsmouth man, and it was printed in Portsmouth. It is not a boiler-plate, cheap-John affair, bought by the square yard from some jobbing house, as can be said of some addresses.

Miss Nettie Jackson, it will be remembered, was awarded the prize for submitting the best poem, although it was not applicable. She was given a prize of $10, and her poem is published in today's Times.

BURGLARS

Cleared Out Eakin's Store at Sciotoville Last Night.

After Drilling the Safe They Got Three Cents in Money and About Six Hundred Dollars in Notes—Thought to Be the Same Gang That Infested The Town of Waverly.

Burglars got in their work at Sciotoville last night, several houses being entered. The chief sufferer was W. O. Eakins & Son. Their store was entered, the safe drilled, and about $600 in notes taken.

The robbery occurred early this morning. The thieves first entered a blacksmith shop and secured a lot of tools. With these they forced the door of the Eakins store, and proceeded to ransack it. They pried open the cash register, but three cents was all they got. They then drilled the safe, forcing it open. Mr. Eakins had taken all his money home with him, however, and the only thing of value left for the robbers was a package of notes on various parties, aggregating over $600. These were taken. Goods were taken from the shelves and scattered about and more of them taken. This morning when Mr. Eakins opened his store it looked as though a cyclone had struck it.

Several other Sciotoville people reported that they had heard some strange noises about their houses during the night, but in no other instance was anything of value taken. There is no clue to the thieves. It is thought that the robbery is the work of the same gang that cleared out Waverly Tuesday night.

It was reported at the mayor's office that Mr. Eakins had left the outside door of his safe unlocked and that the thieves started to drill it open and had made considerable progress before they found that the door was not locked. They then pried open the inside door. The police are keeping a sharp lookout for the thieves.

His Fingers Cut.

Isaac Green, a car repairer at the N. & W. shops, had two fingers on his left hand badly cut this morning while assisting C. C. Chatfield dress a stick of timber. This is the third time Green has had his hand cut in this machine. Several others have been injured in the machine.

Order

A dozen of the extra dark beer brewed for the holidays by The Portsmouth Brewing and Ice company. The telephone No. 94.

You should see the elegant silver-plated ware at J. O. Hibbs & Co's. It cannot be beat, and the price—well, call and see about it.

The Canadian Government reports seven classes of baking powder;

First in the first class is Cleveland's

It's a pure cream of tartar powder, highest in strength.

AN OLD TIME PRINTER

John Reed, for Fifteen Years Connected With the Portsmouth Times, Dies in Cincinnati.

Cincinnati papers yesterday contained a notice of a veteran printer, John Reed. He passd away at his home in Covington Tuesday night. Reed was for many years a resident of Portsmouth, and for about fifteen years was connected with the office of the Portsmouth Times, being foreman of the office the greater part of that time. He first entered the office when Walter Hood was editor of the paper and later was engaged as foreman by Hon. Jas. W. Newman, when he started the Times in 1861. He was in the office until 1871 or 1872, with the exception of two years, which he spent in the army. In 1872 he moved to Covington and has been connected with the Commercial-Gazette and Commercial-Tribune the greater part of the time since.

Mr. Reed was one of the best of the old-time printers, and was considered the finest hand-pressman that was ever in Portsmouth. He married in this city and had four or five children.

Commit This to Memory.

He dressed like a lord of creation,
Misfits were no part of his woes,
And he won his best girl's admiration,
For BLANKEMEYER made his clothes.

Do

You want something extra fine for the holidays? Then order a dozen of the bottle beer for home us from The Portsmouth Brewing and Ice company.

Carving sets, plain steel or silver-plated, best in the land, at prices to suit you. J. C. HIBBS & CO.

We Wish You A Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

Read our ad tomorrow for something interesting.

Heer Bros

IF YOU DID NOT

Remember your friends on Christmas do so on New Year's. We have a fine assortment of New Year's Cards, Calenders and Booklets, Diaries for Ladies and gentlemen. Bibles, family and pocket size. Books of all kinds for all ages very cheap. Magazines of all kinds. We take subscriptions for same without additional cost. Fancy goods at a great reduction.

Schloss & Company,

414 Chillicothe St.

Tremendous Cut In Underwear!

A purchase of 150 dozen (1800 pieces) of a jobber at half price, enables us to make prices that are ridiculously low. No excuse for not being warm when you can buy at such prices as we name.

Ladies' Linen Suits, jersey ribbed, 50c quality for 29c.

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Pants, 35c quality for 20c.

Ladies' Royal Cashmere Vests and Pants, 50c quality 20c.

Ladies' Jersey Vests, pearl buttons, satin tops, in large sizes only, 50c quality for 25c.

Misses' finest fleece lined Vests and Pants, 35c quality for 20c.

Children's Scarlet Vests and Pants, fine all wool, at 25c, each worth double the price.

Men's Canton Flannel Drawers, ribbed ankle, worth 50c, for 25c.

Men's Jersey Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, 50c quality for 25c.

Men's White Merino Shirts and Drawers, 50c quality for 29c.

Men's Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers, 50c quality for 29c.

Men's Grey Shirts and Drawers, 40c quality for 25c.

Men's Black Sweaters, 50c quality for 25c.

Men's Jersey Ribbed Cotton Sweaters, 50c quality for 20c.

Men's Flannelette Shirts, 50c quality for 25c.

In addition to the above special lots we have reduced the price on all heavy winter Underwear of our regular stock.

Special in Umbrellas.

We offer a lot of our regular $1.25 and $1.39 Umbrellas, all fancy handles and twilled gloria silk, to close at 98c.

G. W. ANDERSON & SONS,

DAYLIGHT STORE, DAMARIN BLOCK.

Corner Court and Second.

Now or Never

Is your grandest opportunity to buy a Cape or Jacket for less money than you ever thought of buying. Xmas left us with a good many odd garments, one and two of a kind, which we will close out regardless of cost. Read the following prices and bear in mind every garment we quote here is just as represented—HALF and LESS than HALF PRICE.

One Boucle Cloth Jacket in light brown, all silk lined, size 32, sold for $10.00, reduced to $5.00.

Two Rough Cloth Jackets, brown and black mixed, the latest two toned goods, sizes 32 and 34, sold for $9.75, reduced to $5.00.

Two Melton Cloth Military Jackets in dark green, marten fur collar and edged in front, handsomely braided, sold for $12.50, now $5.50.

5 Boucle Cloth Capes, 27 inches long, all silk lined, trimmed with thibet or martin fur around collar and front, worth $10 reduced to $5.

One light tan Kersey Cloth Jacket, all silk lined, front trimmed with genuine beaver fur heads, collar edged with fur to match, size 34, sold for $22.50, reduced to $10.00.

One handsome Seal Plush Jacket, nothing like it in the city, worth every cent of $25.00, reduced to $12.50.

Green, brown, black mixed Jackets, size 32, all silk lined, sold for $11.50, reduced to $5.00.

Make a good investment. One Electric Seal Fur Cape, 30 inches long, marten fur collar, handsomely lined, sold as a bargain for $25.00, reduced to $15.00.

One Irish Fruze Jacket, size 36, silk faced, sold at $10.00, reduced to $5.50.

One Electric Seal Fur Cape, marten collar and edging down front, 36 inches long, sold for $37.50, reduced to $20.00.

One Electric Seal Fur Cape, 27 inches long, sold for $45, now $25.

One Marten Fur Cape, 28 inches long, sold for $50.00, now $25.

Three Wool Seal Capes of the very best quality, sold for $35.00, $37.50 and $40.00 each, reduced to $20.00 each.

One Wool Astrakhan Fur Cape, 23 inches long, sold for $12.50, reduced to $7.50.

One Circle Cloth Cape, navy blue, trimmed around collar and all around bottom with light fur, price $12.50, reduced to $5.00.

See our Window Display of Wraps and note low prices.

PASISIAN CLOAK and NOVELTY COMPANY,

75 West Second Street.

CASH! CASH!! CASH!!!

Is King

And is performing miracles at Seebohm's this week. We still have a fine assortment. Our line comprises all articles usually found in a first class Drug Store during the Holidays. You are invited. We can save you $ $ $. No trouble to show goods. Our prices will suit you.

Yours B. Jolly & Merry, alias

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IF YOU RECEIVED A

Christmas Gift

RETURN A

New Year's Gift.

And if you want to give something durable give a pair of shoes.

The Sample Shoe Co

Is the place to buy them at the right price. If you aim to spend, say a dollar and fifty cents, you can get a $2.50 shoe. Should you be willing to spend a little more we will give you a great deal better shoe.

We thank you one and all for the patronage you gave us in 1896, and we hope to serve you as well if not better in 1897. Wishing you all a happy New Year, we remain

Yours for Shoes,

THE SAMPLE SHOE CO.,

Manufacturers of Men's Goodyear Welt Shoes.

Store Open Every Evening.